





TINY SHOES

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A black and white illustration of a man wearing a wide-brimmed hat and a light-colored shirt, standing on a hillside. He is looking towards a young boy who is sitting on the ground. The man's right hand is raised, gesturing towards the landscape. The background shows rolling hills and some sparse vegetation.

Juanito, when I get rich I will buy this land for you.


Papa, all I want is *tiny shoes* to keep my little feet warm.

A black and white illustration of the same man from the first panel, now holding the young boy in his arms. The boy is smiling and has his arms outstretched. The man is looking at the boy with a slight smile. The background is a simple, textured grey.

Tiny shoes? Of course, my son. As soon as I get paid I will buy your *tiny shoes*.


Really papa?

Yes, Juanito... you can **trust** your papa!



Mama, Papa is going to buy me some shoes!

How wonderful. Your papa is a *good* man, Juanito.



Now I can buy some shoes for my son.

Juan just got paid. Let's get it away from him."

"Exodus 20:17


You can buy those later...

SHOE



Let's stop in at the saloon for *one* little drink. Come on, Juan.

Juan, do you feel lucky?



Let's get into that card game...


you can *double* your money.



Bring Juan another drink.*


You lose again, Juan. It's too bad.

*Habakkuk 2:15



It's time to go home, Juan. It's closing time.

Already?
(hic)



Oh, Juan... you're *drunk* again. Where is the money for food?

It's all gone...
I don't *know* what happened.

I've got to get some sleep.

Leave me alone.

Oh, my
head...

Papa, did you bring
my *tiny shoes*?

Go away, Juanito... I have
a headache. *I'm sick.*

You said I could *trust* you,
Papa. *You lied!* And God
won't let liars into heaven!*

Shut up,
Juanito! Get
out of here.

I love you, Papa...
and Jesus loves
you too!

*Revelation 21:8

O God, make my papa stop lying so he can go to heaven.

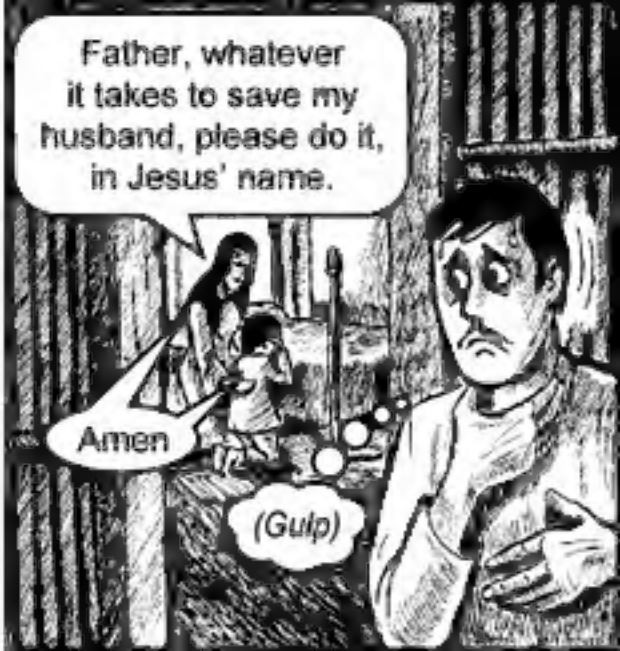


My feet hurt.
Please make
him buy my
shoes.

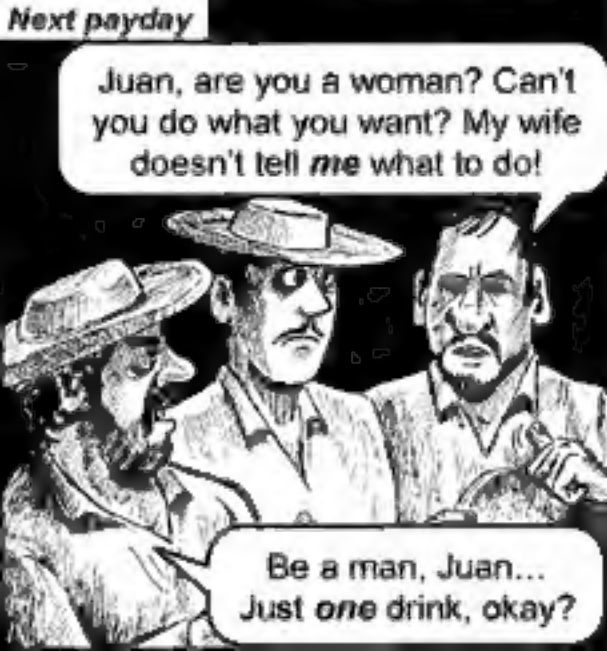
Father, whatever
it takes to save my
husband, please do it,
in Jesus' name.

Amen

(Gulp)




Next payday



Juan, are you a woman? Can't you do what you want? My wife doesn't tell *me* what to do!

Be a man, Juan...
Just *one* drink, okay?



I feel lucky tonight.
Can I play?

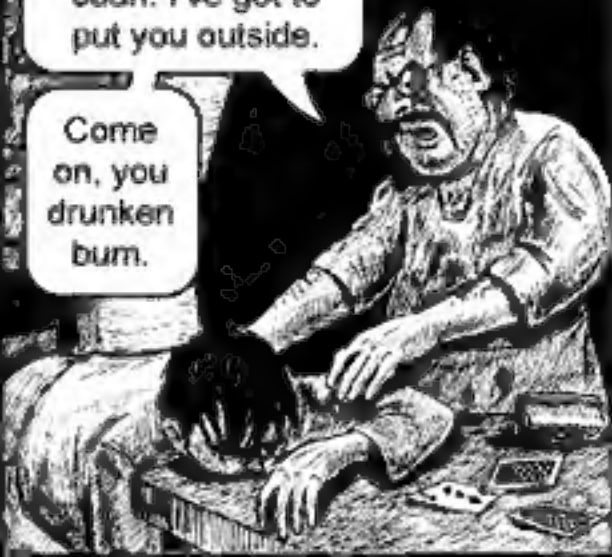
It's good
old Juan.

Give Juan a drink.

You can play with us any time,
Juan. Where's your money?

Everybody's gone
Juan. I've got to
put you outside.

Come
on, you
drunken
bum.

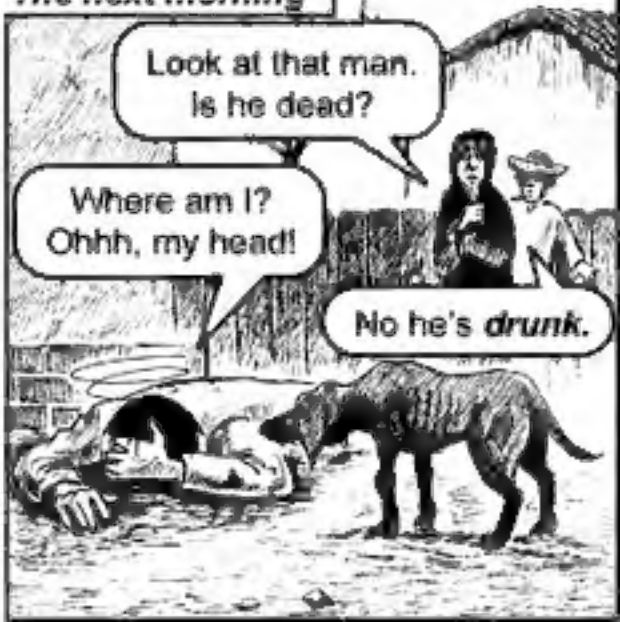


The next morning

Look at that man.
Is he dead?

Where am I?
Ohhh, my head!

No he's *drunk*.



Juan. how could you?
You promised!

I'll have to
get a job
so we
can eat.



No! Your place
is in the home
I'm a proud*
man. *I'll* earn
the money

*Proverbs 16.18

Papa. I cut my foot
on some glass



Did you get my *tiny shoes*?

Before God I promise I'll be
a good husband and father
I'll bring home my salary
I won't gamble any more
and Juanito I swear I'll
buy you your tiny shoes

I promise

Oh Juan
please keep
your word

We love you. Papa I know
you'll bring me my tiny shoes.

I'll be home tonight with
Juanito's shoes *and* the money



Papa, I'm so
excited! You
won't let me
down, Papa.
not this time

Be careful,
Juan. It looks
like a storm
is coming.

Oh, Juanito, your little
foot looks worse. You
mustn't stand on it.



It hurts, Mama. and I feel
so hot. Where's Papa?





Juan Juan It's cold
tonight. You need to
get warm. The season
is on the way.

Just one
little drink.
Juan I'll
pay for it.



Okay? Just one little drink and
I go home is that understood?

Juan, you
can trust us.
We are your
best friends.
Let's go.

O God don't let Juan go to the saloon tonight * Stop him

I feel sick
Mama

The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man (or woman) availeth much James 5:16b



That was the
hard of job

I want those
shoes ahead
for my son

He will love
these shoes They are beautiful

Oh no! The bridge
is out I can't
cross it tonight

CRASH



Papa Where are my
my shoes, Papa?



Mummy Papa
I'm so cold

Mummy Where are you?
Where have you gone?



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10 A.M. next morning


Juanito!
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It's Papa...
I'm home!
I have your
tiny shoes.

No! Oh, *no...* my son *can't*
be dead. Not my Juanito!

How could
this happen?

He died of pneumonia, Juan.

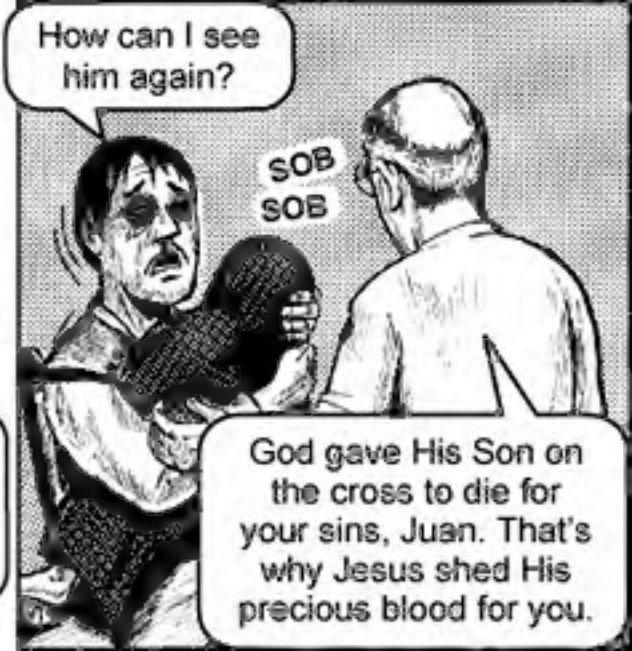


I'll never see my little son again. He's lost forever.

SOB
SOB

Juan, he can't come back to you, but you can go see him*... in heaven.

*See 2 Samuel 12:23



How can I see him again?

SOB
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God gave His Son on the cross to die for your sins, Juan. That's why Jesus shed His precious blood for you.

SOB

○ God, forgive me.

I've gambled,
lied, and was
a drunkard. Please
forgive my wickedness.

"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life." John 3:16

Lord Jesus, come into my heart* and become my Saviour so when I die I can be with You and little Juanito.

SOB
SOB

Thank You, Lord Jesus.

*Romans 10:9-10 & 13

THE BIBLE SAYS THERE'S ONLY ONE WAY TO HEAVEN!

Jesus said, "I am the way, the truth, and the life; no man cometh unto the Father, but by me." John 14:6

NOBODY ELSE CAN SAVE YOU. TRUST JESUS TODAY!

"That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved." Rom. 10:9

1. Admit you are a sinner. See Romans 3:10
2. Be willing to turn from sin (repent). See Acts 17:30
3. Believe that Jesus Christ died for you, was buried and rose from the dead. See Rom. 10:9-10
4. Through prayer, invite Jesus into your heart to become your personal Saviour. See Rom. 10:13

WHAT TO PRAY

Dear God, I am a sinner and need forgiveness. I believe that Jesus Christ shed His precious blood and died for my sin. I am willing to turn from sin. I now invite Christ to come into my heart as my personal Saviour.

If you trusted Jesus as your Saviour, you have just begun a wonderful new life with Him. Now:

1. Read your Bible (KJV) every day to get to know Jesus Christ better.
2. Talk to God in prayer every day.
3. Be baptized, worship, fellowship, and serve with other Christians in a church where Christ is preached and the Bible is the final authority.
4. Tell others about Jesus Christ.

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